

not be fished out, a common fate in less favored centres.

Climate.

It has been truly said that Vancouver Island boasts of a climate beyond compare. During the summer months the weather is ideal, bright warm days with just enough rain to help produce the wonderful fruit and vegetables for which the Island is famous. The nights are cool, with a complete absence of the heat experienced in the east.

The rainfall in the winter months is in common with that experienced on the Island generally, and while the whole coast range receives more moisture than further inland, the winter season is more equable, and not subject to sudden changes, as the temperature seldom goes below freezing point for any length of time. The snow fall is slight, and taking it altogether the seasons are delightful.

Agriculture.

A city with a large farming community back of it has the basis of real and continued prosperity. Especially well favored in having thousands of acres adjacent to the city in